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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Information Collections Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission
Under Delegated Authority

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or the Commission) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection. Comments are requested concerning: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.

The FCC may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number.

DATES: Written PRA comments should be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS

AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. If you anticipate that

you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed

by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all PRA comments to Cathy Williams, FCC, via email <u>PRA@fcc.gov</u>

<mailto:PRA@fcc.gov> and to Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov <mailto:Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information about the

information collection, contact Cathy Williams at (202) 418-2918.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 3060-1043.

Title: Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with

Hearing and Speech Disabilities, CG Docket No. 03-123, FCC 04-137.

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities.

Number of Respondents and Responses: 7 respondents; 8 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: 8 hours.

Frequency of Response: Annual reporting requirement.

Obligation to Respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits. The statutory authority for the

information collection requirement is contained in section 225 of the Communications Act of

1934, as amended [47 U.S.C. 225], Telecommunications Services for Hearing-Impaired and Speech-Impaired Individuals; The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), Pub. L. 101-

336, 104 Stat. 327, 366-69, was enacted on July 26, 1990.

Total Annual Burden: 64 hours.

Total Annual Cost: None.

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: An assurance of confidentiality is not offered because

this information collection does not require the collection of personally identifiable information

from individuals.

Privacy Impact Assessment: No impact(s).

Needs and Uses: The reporting requirements included under OMB Control Number 3060-1043

enable the Commission to collect waiver reports from Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS)

providers requesting waivers from certain TRS mandatory minimum standards. On June 30,

2004, the Commission released a Report and Order and Order on Reconsideration in

Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with

Hearing and Speech Disabilities, FCC 04-137, published at 69 FR 53346, September 1, 2004 and

at 69 FR 53382, September 1, 2004. In the Report and Order, the Commission harmonized the

expiration dates of waivers for Video Relay Service and Internet-Protocol (IP) Relay providers

of the following TRS mandatory minimum requirements, amongst others: (1) 47 CFR

64.604(a)(3)(vi) -- call release; and (2) 47 CFR 64.604(b)(3) -- equal access to interexchange

carriers. The Commission also conditioned these waivers on providers submitting annual reports

to the Commission, in a narrative form, detailing: (1) the provider's plan or general approach to

meet the waived standards; (2) any additional costs that would be required to meet the standards;

(3) the development of any new technology that may affect the particular waivers; (4) the

progress made by the provider to meet the standards; (5) the specific steps taken to resolve any

technical problems that prohibit the provider from meeting the standards; and (6) any other

factors relevant to whether the waiver should continue in effect. On January 11, 2007, the

Commission released a Declaratory Ruling in <u>Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-</u>

Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities; Internet-based Captioned

Telephone Service, FCC 06-182, published at 72 FR 6960, February 14, 2007. The ruling

applied several of the waivers to IP captioned telephone relay service, also conditioned on the

filing of annual reports, as described above.

OMB Control Number: 3060-0550.

Title: Local Franchising Authority Certification, Form FCC 328.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents and Responses: 20 respondents; 20 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One-time reporting requirement.

Obligation to Respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits. The statutory authority for this

collection of information is contained in Section 3 of the Cable Television Consumer Protection

and Competition Act of 1992, 47 U.S.C. 543.

Total Annual Burden: 10 hours.

Total Annual Cost: None.

Privacy Act Impact Assessment: No impact(s).

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: There is no need for confidentiality with this collection

of information.

Needs and Uses: On May 3, 1993, the Commission released a Report and Order and Further

Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, MM Docket No. 92-266, FCC 93-177; In the Matter of

Implementation of Sections of the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act

of 1992; Rate Regulation. Among other things, the Report and Order implemented Section 3(a)

of the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992 wherein a local

franchise authority ("LFA") must file with the Commission a written certification when it seeks

to regulate basic service cable rates. Subsequently, the Commission developed FCC Form 328 to

provide a standardized, simple form for LFAs to use when requesting certification.

OMB Control Number: 3060-0423.

Title: Section 73.3588, Dismissal of Petitions to Deny or Withdrawal of Informal Objections.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Businesses or other for-profit entities.

Number of Respondents and Responses: 50 respondents; 50 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: 20 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirement.

Obligation to Respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits. The statutory authority for this collection is Section 154(i) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

Total Annual Burden: 17 hours.

Total Annual Cost: \$63,750.

Privacy Act Impact Assessment: No impact(s).

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: There is no need for confidentiality with this collection of information.

Needs and Uses: 47 CFR Section 73.3588 states whenever a petition to deny or an informal objection has been filed against any applications for renewal, new construction permits, modifications, and transfers/assignments, and the filing party seeks to dismiss or withdraw the petition to deny or the informal objection, either unilaterally or in exchange for financial consideration, that party must file with the Commission a request for approval of the dismissal or withdrawal. This request must include the following documents: (1) a copy of any written agreement related to the dismissal or withdrawal, (2) an affidavit stating that the petitioner has not received any consideration in excess of legitimate and prudent expenses in exchange for dismissing/withdrawing its petition, (3) an itemization of the expenses for which it is seeking reimbursement, and (4) the terms of any oral agreements related to the dismissal or withdrawal of the petitions to deny. Each remaining party to any written or oral agreement must submit an

affidavit within 5 days of petitioner's request for approval stating that it has paid no consideration to the petitioner in excess of the petitioner's legitimate and prudent expenses. The affidavit must also include the terms of any oral agreements relating to the dismissal or withdrawal of the petition to deny.

Federal Communications Commission.

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